IC 31-19-6

Chapter 6. Search of Paternity Records and Putative Father Registry

IC 31-19-6-1

Request for search of records pending adoption proceedings

- Sec. 1. An attorney or agency that arranges an adoption or may arrange an adoption may at any time request that the state department of health search the state department's records of:
 - (1) paternity determinations to determine whether a man's paternity of a child has been established in relation to a child who is or may be the subject of an adoption; and
- (2) notices of filings of petitions to establish paternity. *As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.11. Amended by P.L.58-2009, SEC.19.*

IC 31-19-6-2

Response to search request

- Sec. 2. Not later than five (5) days after receiving a request under section 1 of this chapter, the state department of health shall:
 - (1) submit an affidavit to the attorney or agency verifying whether a record of a paternity determination has been filed under IC 31-14-9-2 concerning the child; and
 - (2) search the putative father registry established by IC 31-19-5 and notify the attorney or agency, in compliance with IC 31-19-5-16 as to whether a putative father has:
 - (A) registered concerning the child; or
 - (B) filed a petition to establish paternity in relation to the child.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.11. Amended by P.L.58-2009, SEC.20.

IC 31-19-6-3

Release of copy of paternity determination and notice of filing of petition to establish paternity

- Sec. 3. (a) If a record of a paternity determination has been filed concerning a child who is the subject of a request under section 1 of this chapter, the state department of health shall release a copy of the record of the paternity determination to the requesting attorney or agency.
- (b) If a notice of a filing of a petition to establish paternity has been filed concerning a child who is the subject of a request under section 1 of this chapter, the state department of health shall release a copy of the notice of the filing of the petition to the requesting attorney or agency.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.11. Amended by P.L.58-2009, SEC.21.